

Message Text

SECRET

PAGE 01 STATE 011907

66

ORIGIN NODS-00

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 /001 R

DRAFTED BY NEA/ARP:COCECIL:AFJ

APPROVED BY P:JSISCO

NEA/ALATHERTON,JR.

S/S: RKUCHEL

----- 011423

O 170035Z JAN 76 ZFF4

FM SECSTATE WASHDC

TO AMEMBASSY JIDDA IMMEDIATE

S E C R E T STATE 011907

NODIS

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, XF, SA

SUBJECT: UN SECURITY COUNCIL MIDDLE EAST DEBATE

REF: STATE 9594

SUMMARY: ASSISTANT SECRETARY ATHERTON TELEPHONED SAG
AMBASSADOR ALIREZA IN NEW YORK JANUARY 16 TO CONVEY MESSAGE
THAT USG SAW NO PROBLEM IN ALIREZA'S PROPOSING TO SAG THAT
IT WORK FOR TERMINATION OF PRESENT SECURITY COUNCIL
DEBATE WITHOUT VOTING ON ANY RESOLUTION. THIS IDEA HAD
BEEN RAISED BY ALIREZA AS A PERSONAL ONE, WITHOUT SAG
AUTHORIZATION, DURING ATHERTON-ALIREZA TALK ON JANUARY
13. END SUMMARY.

1. MR. ATHERTON OPENED CONVERSATION WITH ALIREZA BY
STATING THAT EVEN THOUGH THERE WAS YET NO AGREED SINGLE
TEXT TO BE PROPOSED IN NEW YORK, FROM ALL WE COULD SEE AT
PRESENT IT LOOKED INCREASINGLY AS IF USG WOULD HAVE TO
VETO ANY RESOLUTION EMERGING FROM SECURITY COUNCIL DEBATE

SECRET

SECRET

PAGE 02 STATE 011907

IF WE WISHED TO KEEP OPEN OUR HOPES FOR FUTURE PROGRESS

IN ARAB-ISRAELI NEGOTIATIONS. WE HAD REFLECTED ON
AMBASSADOR ALIREZA'S PERSONAL IDEA, SAID MR. ATHERTON, THAT

THE DEBATE END WITHOUT A RESOLUTION. MR. ATHERTON
STATED THAT HE HAD DISCUSSED THIS THOUGHT WITH HIS
SUPERIORS AND HE WAS NOW AUTHORIZED TO SAY THAT WE WOULD
SEE NO PROBLEM IN THE AMBASSADOR'S EXPLORING THIS IDEA
WITH THE SAG.

2. ACKNOWLEDGING THE FOREGOING, ALIREZA STATED THAT HE
COULD SEE MANY DIFFICULTIES, SINCE IT NOW APPEARED THAT
SEVERAL RESOLUTIONS WOULD BE OFFERED, SOME BY "YOUR
FRIENDS -- SOME OF THE PERMANENT MEMBERS OF THE SECURITY
COUNCIL" WITH THE INTENTION OF PUTTING THE USG ON THE
SPOT. MR. ATHERTON INDICATED HIS AWARENESS OF THIS,
AND STATED THAT EVEN THE MODERATE, FALL-BACK VERSIONS
SEEMED LIKELY TO CONTAIN MORE THAN THE USG COULD
ACQUIESCE IN.

3. ALIREZA REPLIED THAT HE WOULD COMMUNICATE WITH THE
SAG IMMEDIATELY, BUT NOTED IT WAS FRIDAY AND THAT HE
MIGHT NOT OBTAIN A REPLY UNTIL EARLY NEXT WEEK.

4. IN CLOSING, MR. ATHERTON ASKED THAT ALIREZA PLEASE
INSURE THAT THE SAG UNDERSTAND THAT IT WAS ABSOLUTELY
THE USG INTENTION, AFTER THE DEBATE, TO MAKE A MAJOR
EFFORT, BEGINNING WITH OUR TALKS WITH PRIME MINISTER
RABIN, TO GET A SERIOUS NEGOTIATION PROCESS STARTED.
ALIREZA REPLIED THAT HE HAD ALREADY REPORTED THIS, BUT
WOULD EMPHASIZE IT AGAIN. MR. ATHERTON EMPHASIZED THAT IT
WAS THE USG VIEW THAT ALL QUESTIONS, WITHOUT EXCEPTION,
BOTH PROCEDURAL AND SUBSTANTIVE, COULD BE ADDRESSED
IN SUCH NEGOTIATIONS. ALIREZA PROMISED TO BE IN TOUCH. KISSINGER

SECRET

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: POLITICAL SETTLEMENT, NEGOTIATIONS, UNSC RESOLUTIONS, MEETING VOTING RECORDS, CAT-C
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 17 JAN 1976
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: MartinML
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1976STATE011907
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: COCECIL:AFJ
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Film Number: P840099-0984
From: STATE
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1976/newtext/t19760147/aaaabphr.tel
Line Count: 94
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ORIGIN NODS
Original Classification: SECRET
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: NODIS
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: SECRET
Previous Handling Restrictions: NODIS
Reference: 76 STATE 9594
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: MartinML
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 18 JUN 2004
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <18 JUN 2004 by ElyME>; APPROVED <03 NOV 2004 by MartinML>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
04 MAY 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: UN SECURITY COUNCIL MIDDLE EAST DEBATE
TAGS: PFOR, PORG, XF, SA, UN
To: JIDDA
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 04 MAY 2006